### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

#### ATLANTA DIVISION

NATALIE SOTO, Plaintiff,

V.

WENDELL HOLMES, JR., Defendant.

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Civil Action No. 1:24-cv-02911-SDG

# DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE REGARDING PROCEDURAL PROPRIETY OF A SECOND MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56 does not authorize a party to file multiple motions for summary judgment as of right. Plaintiff has already filed an initial Motion for Summary Judgment, which remains pending. The filing of a second motion constitutes a successive dispositive motion that should not be entertained without prior leave of the Court, especially where it raises substantially similar arguments and legal theories as the first.

#### II. LEGAL STANDARD

Courts have discretion to control the timing and frequency of dispositive motions. Multiple or successive summary judgment motions are generally disfavored unless there is newly discovered evidence, a change in the law, or extraordinary circumstances that justify another motion. (See e.g., Koch v. Koch Industries, Inc., 203 F.3d 1202, 1216 (10th Cir. 2000)).

#### **III. ARGUMENT**

A. Plaintiff's Second Summary Judgment Motion Is Procedurally Improper Plaintiff has not sought leave of Court to file a second summary judgment motion. There has been no scheduling order authorizing successive dispositive motions. This second motion is an improper attempt to relitigate arguments already briefed in the first motion and should be denied on procedural grounds alone.

- B. The Court Has Not Ruled on Defendant's Counterclaims

  Plaintiff's second motion appears to address or preemptively attack

  Defendant's amended counterclaims. However, those claims are the subject

  of a pending Motion to Dismiss filed by Plaintiff. Until the Court rules on that

  motion, Defendant's claims remain viable, and Plaintiff cannot obtain summary

  judgment on claims that have not been fully litigated.
- C. Plaintiff's Repetition of Arguments Constitutes Harassment
  Plaintiff's filing behavior demonstrates an intent to burden the Defendant with
  duplicative legal arguments and filings, effectively using litigation as a
  weapon. Repeated summary judgment motions with overlapping issues serve
  only to multiply proceedings and increase the cost of defense for a pro se
  litigant.

D. Defendant Has Submitted New Evidence Demonstrating Factual Disputes Defendant has attached Exhibit E—text message screenshots between the Defendant and third party E. Talley—which contain evidence showing that Plaintiff herself actively disseminated defamatory, salacious, and personal information about Defendant to uninvolved parties. This conduct undermines Plaintiff's claims of emotional and reputational harm and creates genuine disputes of material fact that should be resolved at trial, not summarily.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Defendant respectfully requests that the Court deny or strike Plaintiff's second Motion for Summary Judgment as procedurally improper. Defendant further requests that the Court proceed to adjudicate all pending motions in the ordinary course or set the matter for trial.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of May, 2025.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on this date I served a copy of the foregoing on all counsel of record via the Court's CM/ECF system and by email to:

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This 19th day of May, 2025.

Wendell Holmes, Jr.

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#### **EXHIBIT E**

Screenshots of Messages Between Plaintiff Natalie Soto and Defendant Wendell Holmes, Jr.,

and Between Plaintiff and Third Party E. Talley

Submitted in support of Defendant's Response in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment and in support of Defendant's Amended Counterclaim.

This exhibit contains:

- Section 1: October 2023 messages exchanged directly between Plaintiff and Defendant.
- Section 2: Plaintiff's messages to third party E. Talley, which include admissions and conduct relevant to the issues of consent, privacy, and reputational harm.

Respectfully submitted,

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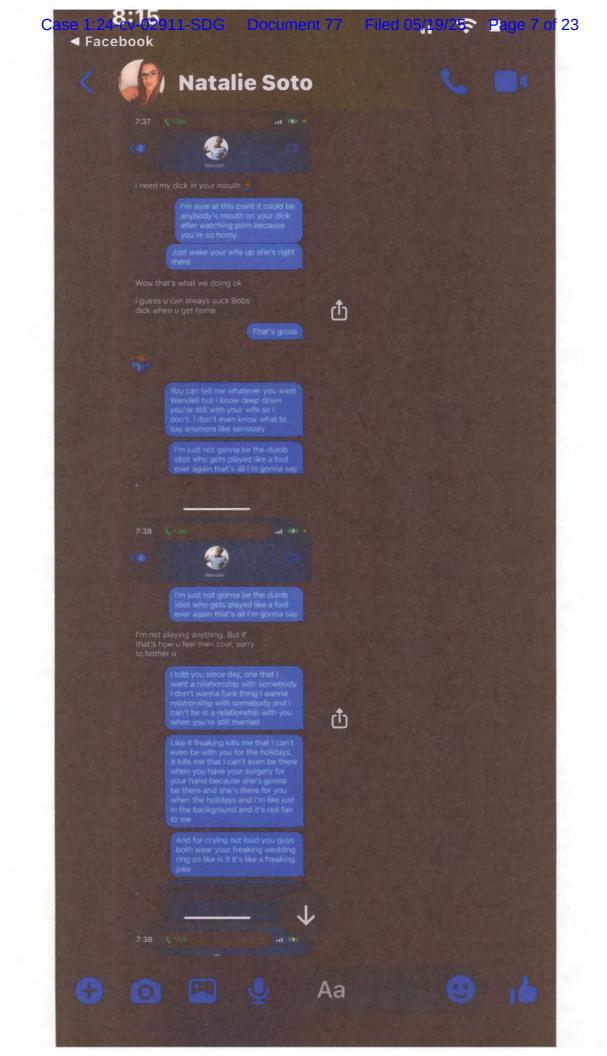
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#### Exhibit E

- Referencing your wife by name,
- Implying intent to disclose or retaliate,
- And attaching a screenshot of a defamatory public post, alongside threatening messages.
- Confirms she is not reporting the third party's involvement to her attorneys,
- States she does not need anything from them and that Defendant "has made his bed,"
- Makes disparaging comments about Defendant's marriage and financial situation,
- Implies emotional manipulation and double life accusations,
- Claims Defendant's wife supports him financially, and
- Expresses intentions not to involve this person legally, contradicting claims of emotional distress and intent to isolate herself from the situation.
- Encouraged a third party to post an anonymous picture of the defendant to find out who else he was speaking to,
- Expressed concern about STDs and acknowledged ending the relationship previously,
- Made statements indicating a lack of fear or emotional vulnerability ("I am not dying for anyone"),
- Apologized to the recipient for being "played," suggesting manipulation and dramatization of events.

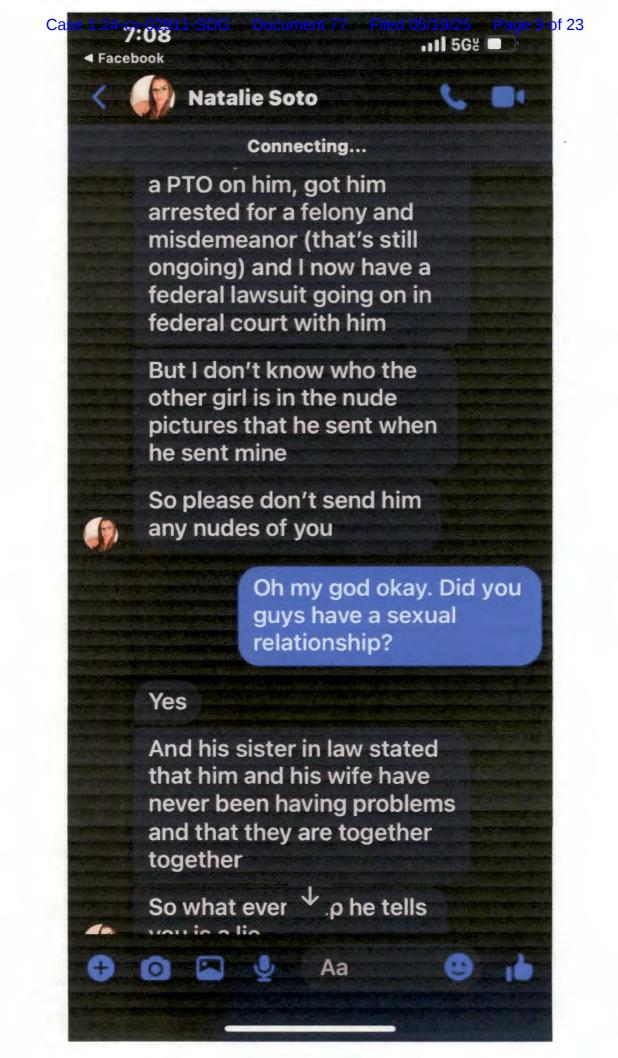


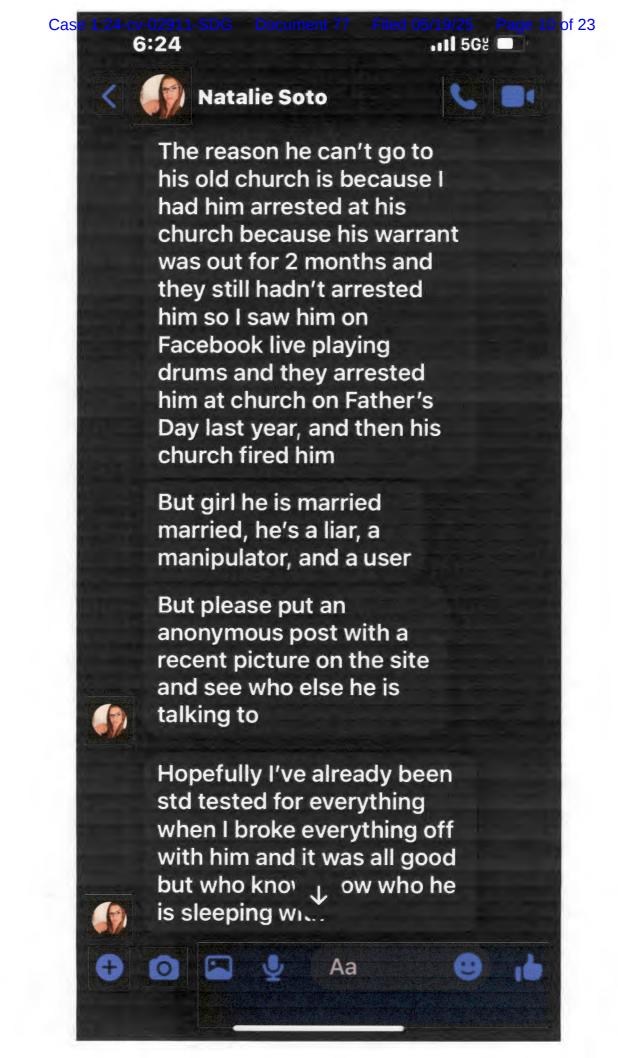


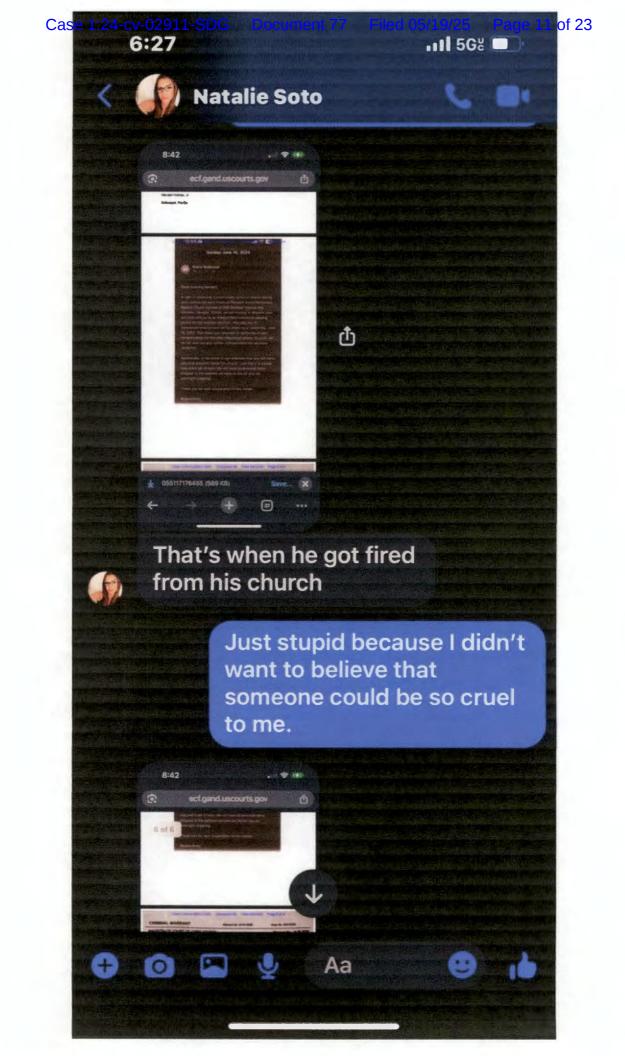


## Natalie Soto

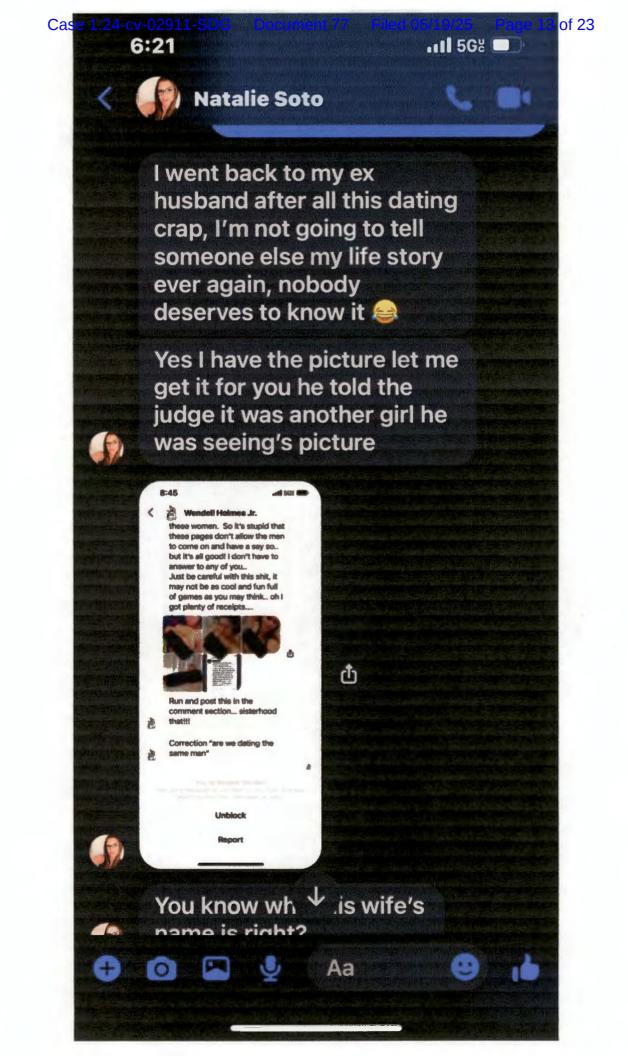
I don't know if he's currently active on dating sites, but he completely blindsided me and lied to me about him being single and I found out that he was married and cut it off with him because I am not a side chick nor will I ever be one, I lent him money for his truck and drum stuff so after a month of me breaking it off I asked for my money back and he refused so I messaged his wife to tell her to tell him to give me back my money and that's all I said to her and then posted that post on him on facebook and his wife's sister contacted me and then he found out about the post and decided to send my nudes and some other girls nudes to people(one that I know of for sure) and so I tried to do a PTO on him ר him arrested for a  $\checkmark$  onv and michamaanar (that's still

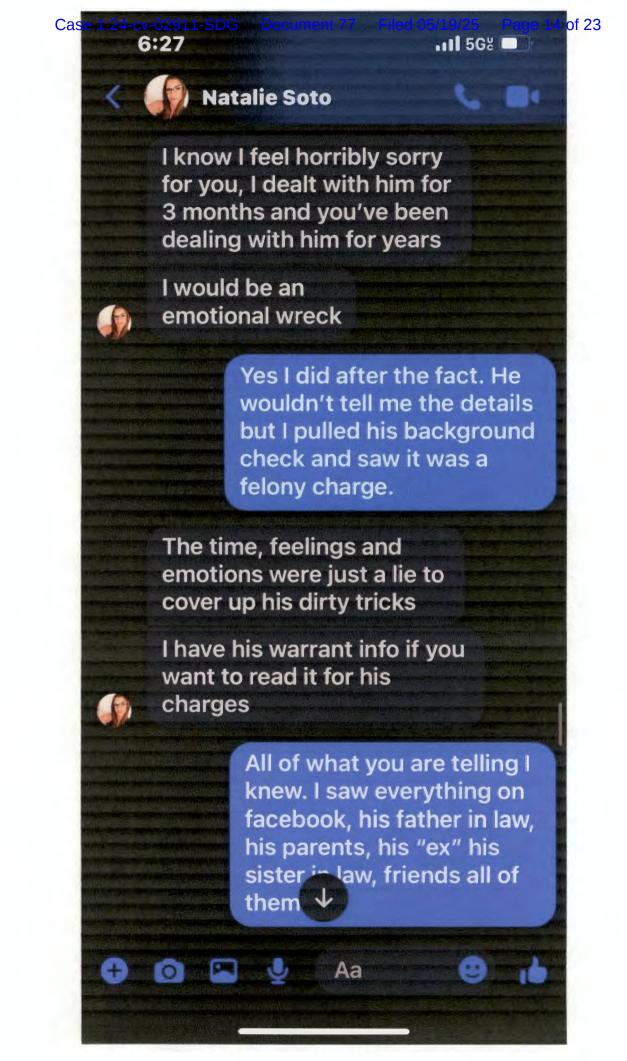


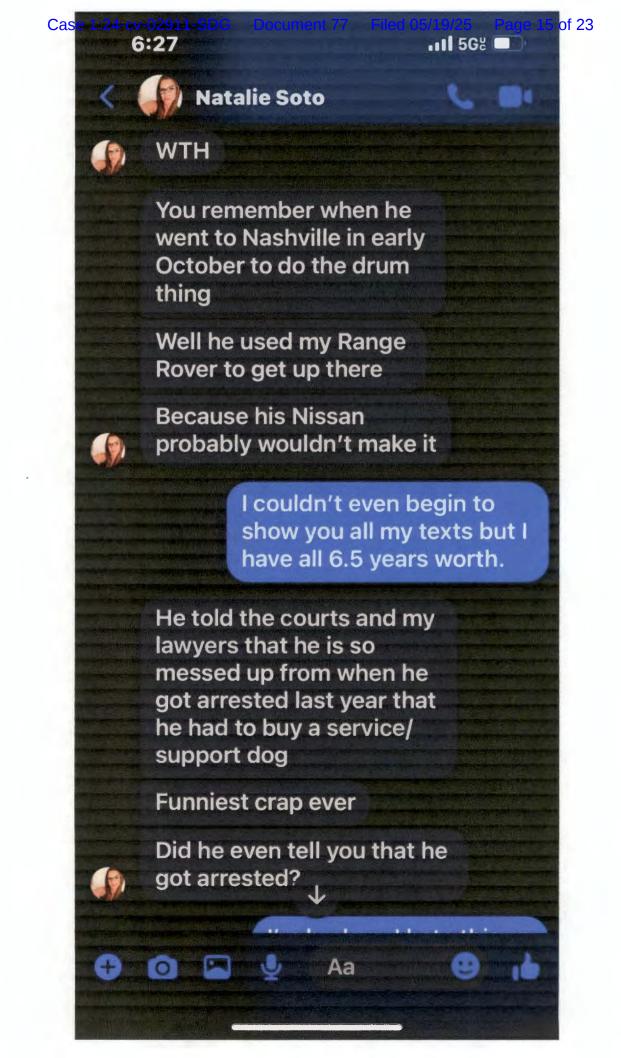


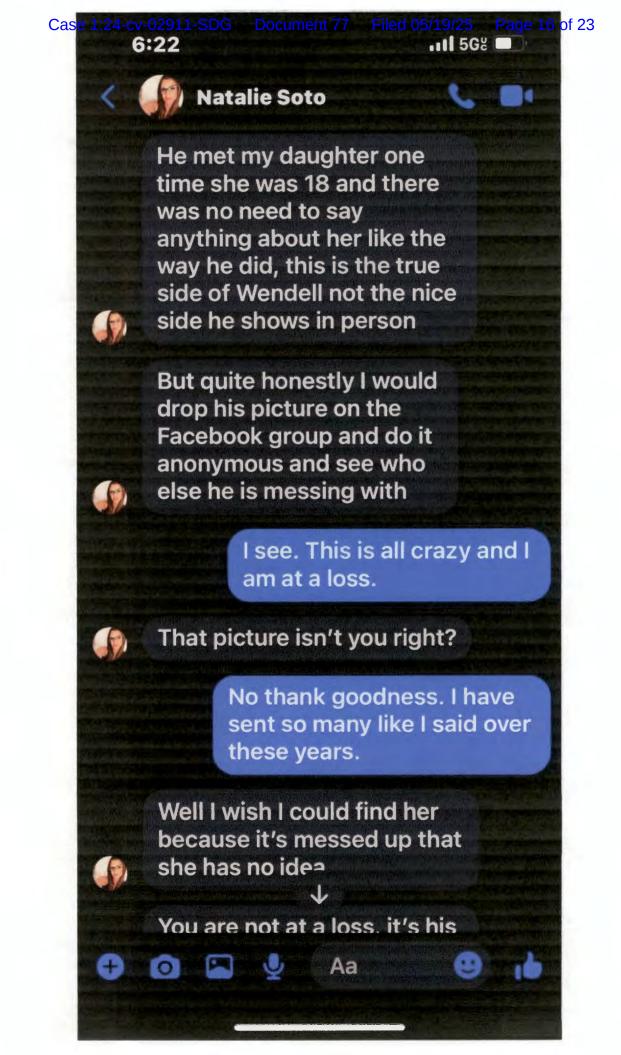














## **Natalie Soto**





But please put an anonymous post with a recent picture on the site and see who else he is talking to

Hopefully I've already been std tested for everything when I broke everything off with him and it was all good but who knows now who he is sleeping with

I just made an appointment to get tested.

That's good

I am not dying for anyone

Exactly! I've already survived enough

But I'm really sorry that you have been played like this

I'm always her if you ever need to talk (  $\psi$  ave any other questions





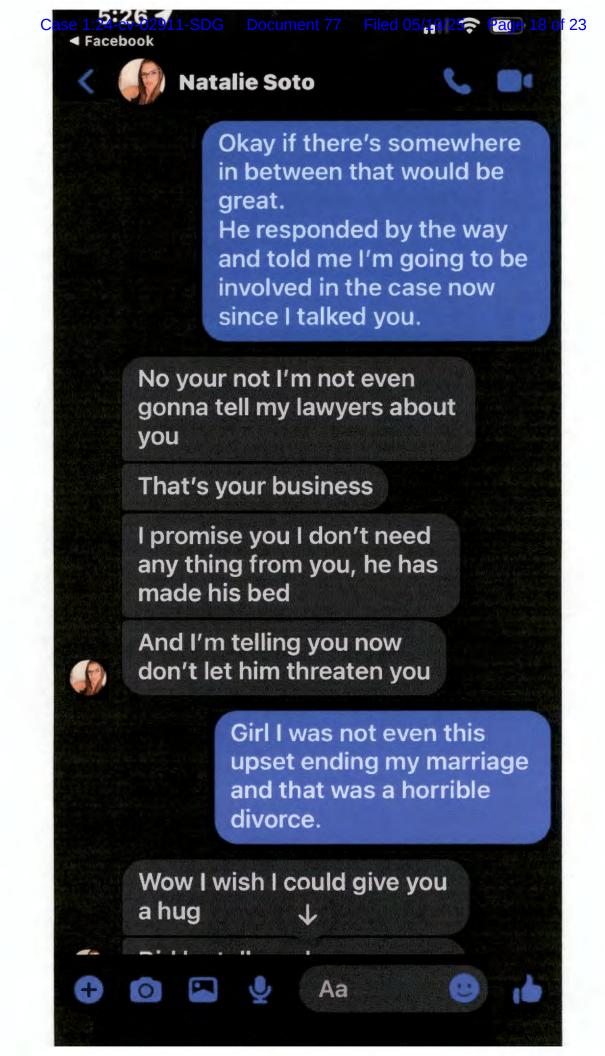


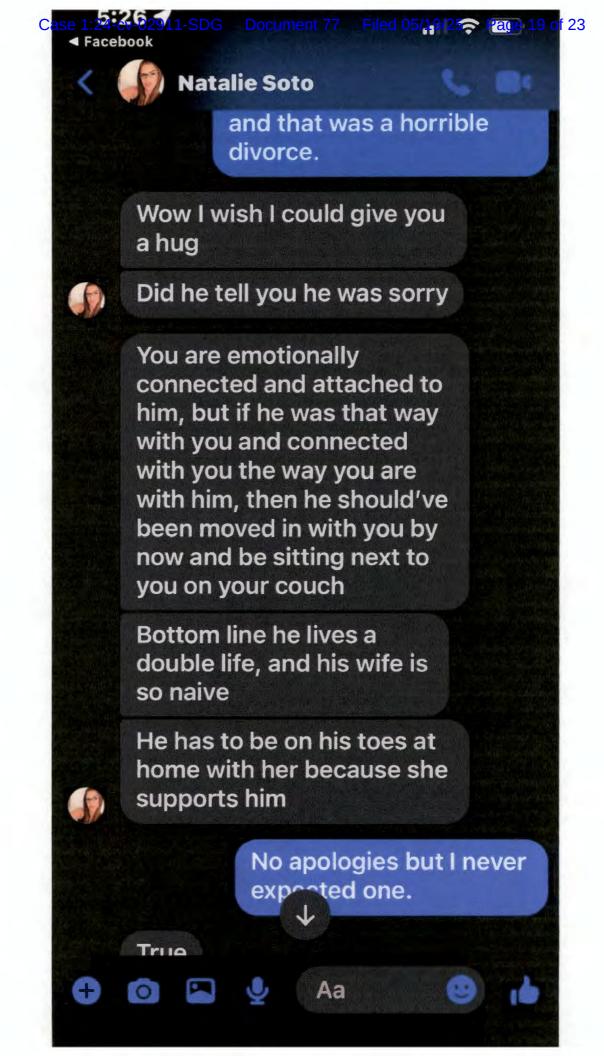




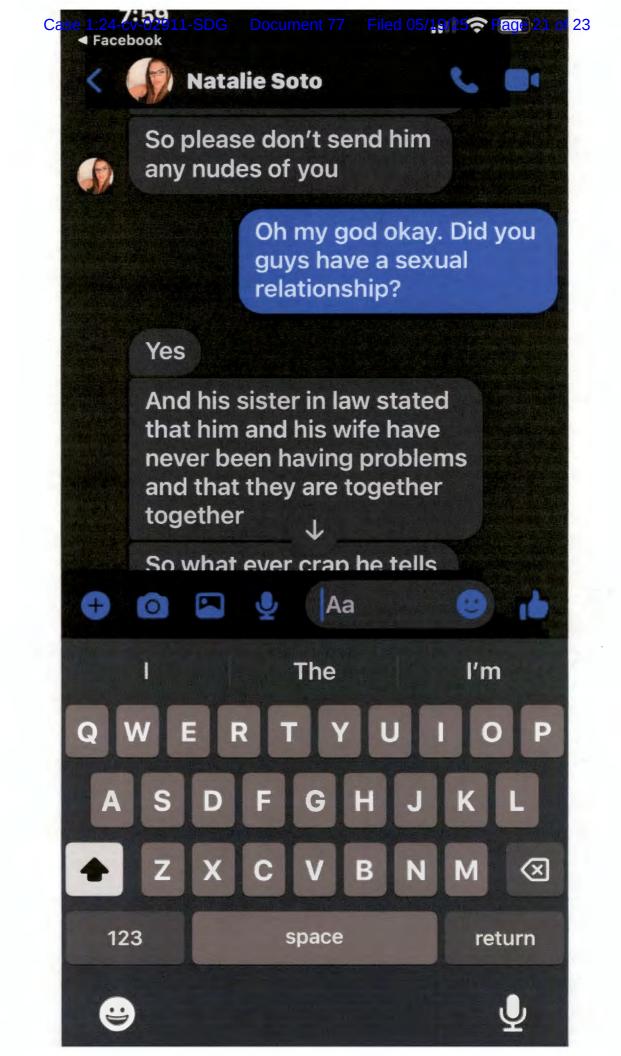




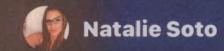












Oh wow I'm so sorry, but he is married, like really married

He told me he was single and then I did my little private investigation and saw a picture of him and some lady and then I asked him why I'm not allowed to go to his house why is it only mine and he gave me some crap answer

There's always an answer

Okay thank you for all that and I'm sorry that we both have this experience. Single it is for me from here on out!

You are gorgeous by the way! Definitely don't deserve these crap men.

What got it for me was getting on his \* ther in laws Facebook an eing their















